Dharna by ESI doctors

2667. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRIAMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that doctors of the Employees State Insurance hospitals and dispensaries in the capital have recently staged a *dharna* at ESI Headquarter, New Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the demands submitted by them and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR):(a)A few doctors of ESI Corporation working in Delhi had staged a *dharna* on 8.7.2003.

(b) The doctors are primarily demanding parity in career advancement with Central Health Services doctors. The matter has been referred for consiliation proceedings to the Chief Labour Commissioner (Central) and the agitation has been deferred by the ESI doctors.

Creation of jobs for 40 millions

2668. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether an expert group of economists and industrialists have worked out a blue-print for 40 million jobs for the Indian workforce by the year 2020;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to create an appropriate environment in the country in order to equip the youth to respond to the challenging opportunities to be made available on the implementation of the proposed blue-print?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) to (c) From the report published in the Financial Express dated 18.4.2003, it is seen that a report was

prepared under the auspices of the All India Management Association in cooperation with the Boston Consulting Group and the CM.

Safety and health of the workers

† 2669. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Labour Institutes set up in the country are capable to cater the needs of the safety and health of the workers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The Central Labour Institute under the Directorate General of Factory Advice Service & Labour Institutes (DGFASLI) has been established to provide support in the areas of Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) to all establishments defined under the Factories Act, 1948. The authority to implement the laws governing OSH lies with the State Governments and individual employers. However, the OSH needs in the major ports of the country are the responsibility of Central Government and this is being carried out satisfactorily by the DGFASLI.

(b) One Central Labour Institute at Mumbai and four Regional Labour Institutes at Kolkata, Kanpur, Chennai and Faridabad are presently functioning in the country. They only provides support services by way of conducting training, seminar, workshop, safety audits, surveys and studies in the area of occupational safety and health.

Unemployment ratio

† 2670. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether unemployment ratio has shown a downward trend during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details of the existing number of educated unemployed persons and the year-wise number of the same during the last five years;

(c) the names of the States having maximum number of educated unemployed persons;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.